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SUBJECT: LONDON, ENGLAND - ALLEGED VISA MALFEASANCE

REF: LONDON 6400

1. DETSGT JOHN BUNN, FLYING SQUAD, METROPOLITAN POLICE
ADVISED RSO/LONDON THE FOLLOWING ON APRIL 22, 1977:

"ON WEDNESDAY, THE 20TH OF APRIL, 1977, AT 1:25
P.M. JOSEPHINE THERESE WORTHEY, 19 PEVENSEY CLOSE
OSTERLEY, MIDDLESEX, A VISA CLERK, EMPLOYED AT THE
AMERICAN EMBASSY GROSVENOR SQUARE, LONDON
W1, WAS ARRESTED IN POSSESSION OF A BRITISH PASS-
PORT, IN THE NAME OF MRS. MABEL TAYLOR, NO.65888,
WHICH WAS STAMPED WITH A VISA OF ENTRY INTO THE
UNITED STATES,NUMBERED 614717.

"SHE WAS ARRESTED AND TAKEN TO ROCHESTER ROAD PO-
LICE STATION WHERE INQUIRIES REVEALED THAT MRS.
WORTHEY HAD FRAUDULENTLY STAMPED MRS. TAYLOR'S

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PASSPORT WITH THE VISA IN RETURN FOR 30 POUNDS,
PAID TO HER BY A MARIE ARDY OF 4M PORTMAN MANSIONS,
CHILTERN STREET, LONDON W1.
"WHEN QUESTIONED ABOUT THE PASSPORT AND MARIE ARDY,
SHE REVEALED THAT SHE HAD IN FACT OVER A NUMBER OF
YEARS BEEN RECEIVING PAYMENTS FROM MRS. ARDY IN
RETURN FOR ISSUING FALSE VISAS.

"AS A RESULT A TOTAL OF FOUR PERSONS WERE
ARRESTED AND CHARGED AS FOLLOWS: ON DEVERS DATES
BEFORE THE 20TH OF APRIL 1977, CONSPIRED TOGETHER
TO FORGE UNITED STATES ENTRY VISAS. AGAINST THE
PEACE.

"ALL FOUR DEFENDENTS APPEARED AT HORSEFERRY ROAD
MAGISTRATES COURT ON THE 22ND OF APRIL 1977 AND
WERE FORMALLY REMANDED ON BAIL UNTIL THE 5TH OF
JULY 1977 WHEN IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THEY WILL BE
COMMITTED TO THE CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT, OLD BAI-
LEY, TO STAND TRIAL.

"THE OTHER DEFENDENTS ARE: JOSEPH ARDI, 4M PORT-
MAN MANSIONS, CHILTERN STREET, LONDON W1; MARIE
ARDY, 4M PORTMAN MANSIONS, CHILTERN STREET, LONDON
W1; GILBERT SYLVESTER NAULTY, 36 FENWICK ROAD, SE
15.

"THE OFFICER IN THE CASE IS DETECTIVE SERGEANT
BUNN, ATTACHED TO THE FLYING SQUAD, NEW SCOTLAND
YARD; TELEPHONE NUMBER 230-2061."

2. SGT. BUNN FURTHER ADVISED RSO THAT WORTHEY AND
ARDY HAD MADE DAMAGING ADMISSIONS TO POLICE THAT REFLECT
THAT THE RING WAS IN OPERATION FOR OVER FOUR YEARS AND
OVER 100 VISAS HAD BEEN ILLICITELY ISSUED. ARDY APPEARS
TO BE LEADER OF THE RING AND POLICE SUGGEST THAT SHE HAD

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SEVERAL AGENTS UNDER HER WHO WOULD MAKE CONTACT WITH PO-
TENTIAL CUSTOMERS. GILBERT NAULTY WAS ONE OF ARDY'S
AGENTS AND IS NOT KNOWN BY WORTHEY. GILBERT NAULTY WOULD

CHARGE CUSTOMERS WHATEVER MARKET WOULD BEAR BUT HE IN
TURN WAS CHARGED BY ARDY 160 POUNDS PER VISA. POLICE BE-
LIEVE WORTHEY TO BE ARDY'S ONLY CONTACT INSIDE EMBASSY
VISA SECTION. WORTHEY'S CUT WAS 20 TO 25 POUNDS PER
VISA. WORTHEY FURTHER ADMITTED THAT SHE BELIEVED THAT
OTHER FSLES WERE INVOLVED IN THE SELLING OF VISAS
BUT SHE COULD NOT IDENTIFY ANY BY NAME OR COULD SHE
IDENTIFY THEM WITH ARDY. WORTHEY ADMITTED THAT HER
INITIAL INVOLVEMENT BEGAN IN DECEMBER OF 1972 WHEN ARDY
ASKED HER TO GET A VISA FOR A FRIEND AND SHE WAS PAID
FIVE POUNDS AFTER THE FACT. HER ACTIVITIES IN THIS AREA
BEGAN TO INCREASE TO THE POINT WHERE SHE WAS ISSUING ONE
VISA PER WEEK.

3. WORTHEY'S B-2 INDEFINITE VISA HAS BEEN CANCELLED
WITH PREJUDICE ON APRIL 21, 1977. HER CURRENT STATUS
WITH EMBASSY IS THAT SHE IS ON LEAVE WITHOUT PAY UNTIL
THE MATTER IS FINALLY ADJUDICATED.

4. RSO HAS PROVIDED EMBASSY PRESS WITH A COPY OF THE
POLICE STATEMENT. EMBASSY HAS HAD SEVERAL PRESS INQUIRIES
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CONCERNING THE MATTER.

5. RSO WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP A/SY/I/PVB APPRISED OF
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